XI.

THE WITCHES OF HVNTINGDON,

Their Examinations and Confeſſions; exactly taken by his Majeſties Juſtices of Peace for that County. Whereby will appeare how craftily and dangerouſly the Devill tempteth and ſeizeth on poore ſoules.

The Reader may make uſe hereof againſt Hypocriſie, anger, malice, ſwearing, Idolatry, Luſt, Covetouſneſſe, and other grievous ſins, which occaſioned this their downfall.

Profecto res ſtulta eſt nequitiæ modus. Seneca.

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TO
The Right Worſhipfull the Iuſtices of the Peace for the County of *HVNTINGTON.*

Gentlemen,

IT hath beene a common fault of late, to commend things to the Preſſe taken up by heare-ſay and report, which frequently prove untrue. This common courſe makes many trueths doubted, ſpecially in difficult diſcoveries. That this enſuing diſcourſe is true, I need no other witneſſes then your ſelves: your paines was uſed in the diligent Examination of the Offenders, and the

witnesses against them. You were present, and Judges at the Tryall and Conviction of them, more full and cleare confessions, more satisfactory Evidence, and a clearer Conviction, could not be in a case of this nature. By particular service, I was attendant in most of the Examinations: and waiting on you all at the Tryall, know what I assert to be true, and dare presume to make you Patrons hereof. Knowing your integrities most ready to attest truth, and to maintain and countenance herein

Yonr Honourer and humble Servant,

JOHN DAVENPORT.

The

THE VVITCHES OF HVNTINGDON,

Their Examinations and Confeſſions exactly taken, &c.

The Examination of Elizabeth Weed *of great* Catworth *in the County of* Huntingdon, *Widow, taken upon the laſt day of* March, 1646. *before* Robert Bernard, *and* Nicholas Pedley, *Eſq; two of his Majeſties Juſtices of the peace for this County.*

SHe ſaith, that about one and twenty yeares ſince ſhe being ſaying her Prayers in the evening about bed-time, there did appeare unto her three Spirits, one in the likeneſſe of a young man or boy, and the other two of two Puppies, the one white and the other black: and that which was in the ſhape of a young man did ſpeak unto her, asking her, if ſhee would renounce God and Chriſt; ſhee anſwered, ſhee would. And the Devill then offer'd her, that hee would doe what miſchiefe ſhe ſhould require him; and ſaid ſhe muſt covenant with him that he muſt have her ſoule at the end of one and twenty years, which ſhe granted. And ſaith, that he came to her about a week after, about ten of the clock in the night, with a Paper, and asked her whether ſhe were willing to ſeale the Covenant, ſhee ſaid ſhe was, then he told her it muſt be done with her bloud, and ſo pricked her under her left

arme, and made her bleed in the place: a great lumpe of fleſh did riſe, and hath encreaſed ever ſince, and he ſcribled therewith. And being demanded what light was there, ſhe anſwered, none but the light of the Spirit, and preſently he came to bed to her, and had the carnall knowledge of her, and ſo did divers times after, and ſaith, the other two Spirits did then, and at other times come into her bed alſo, and ſuckt upon other parts of her body where ſhee had Teats. Being demanded the name of the leſſer Spirits, ſhee ſaith the name of the white one was *Lilly*, and the blacke one *Priſcill*; and that the office of *Lilly* was to hurt man, woman, or coilde; and the office of *Priſcill* was to hurt Cattell when ſhe deſired. And the office of the man-like Spirit was to lye with her carnally, when and as often as ſhe defired, and that hee did lye with her in that manner very often; and that the Spirit *Lilly*, acchrding to the Covenant, did kill the childe of Mr. *Henry Bedells* of *Catworth* aforeſaid, as ſhee this Examinate defired him to do; and that ſhe wiſht him to doe the ſame when ſhe was angrie; but doth not well remember for what: and ſaith, that about two or three dayes before that, ſhee ſent the ſame *Lilly* to the ſaid *Henry Bedells* commanding him to kill him, who returned and ſaid hee had no power: and confeſſeth ſhee ſent her ſaid Spirit another time to doe ſome hurt to *Edward Muſgrave* of *Catworth*, aforeſaid, who likewiſe returned anſwer, he had no power: And that ſhe ſent her Spirit *Priſcill* to kill two horſes of the ſaid *Edward Muſgraves*, and one of *John Muſgraves*, and to kil one Cow of *William Muſgraves*, and one Cow of *Thomas Thorps* of the ſame Towne, which was done accordingly. And being demanded when the one and twenty yeares would be out, ſhe anſwered about *Low-Sunday* next, to the beſt of her remembrance, and being further demanded what was the reaſon, ſhe did duly reſort to Church to Sermons, & alſo to the Miniſters houſe to repetition, which Mr. *Poole* the Miniſter being preſent did affirme; ſhee ſaith, ſhe was well pleaſed with his preaching, and had a deſire to be rid of that unhappy burthen which was upon her. And further ſhe ſaith not.

Signum
Elizabeth *Weed.*

ROB. BERNARD.

The

The Examination of John Winnick *of Molſeworth in the ſaid County, Labourer, taken upon the* 11. *day of* Aprill, 1646. *before* Robert Bernard *Eſquire, one of His Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace for this County.*

HEe ſaith, that about 29. yeares ſince, the 29th yeare ending about Midſommer laſt paſt, he being a Batchellour, lived at Thropſton with one *Buteman*, who then kept the Inne at the *George*, and withall kept Husbandry: this Examinate being a ſervant to him in his husbandry, did then looſe a purſe with 7 s. in it, for which he ſuſpected one in the Family. He ſaith that on a Friday being in the barne, making hay-bottles for his horſes about noon, ſwearing, curſing, raging, and wiſhing to himſelfe that ſome wiſe body (or Wizzard) would helpe him to his purſe and money again: there appeared unto him a Spirit, blacke and ſhaggy, and having pawes like a Beare, but in bulk not fully ſo big as a Coney. The Spirit asked him what he ailed to be ſo ſorrowfull, this Examinate anſwered that he had loſt a purſe and money, and knew not how to come by it againe. The Spirit replied, if you will forſake God and Chriſt, and fall down & worſhip me for your God, I will help you to your purſe and mony againe: This Examinate ſaid he would, and thereupon fell down upon his knees and held up his hands. Then the Spirit ſaid, to morrow about this time of the day, you ſhall find your purſe upon the floor where you are now making bottles, I will ſend it to you, and will alſo come my ſelfe. Whereupon this Examinate told the Spirit he would meete him there, and receive it, & worſhip him. Whereupon at the time prefixed, this Examinate went unto the place, and found his purſe upon the floore and tooke it up, and looking afterwards into it, he found there all the money that was formerly loſt: but before he had looked into it, the ſame Spirit appears unto him and ſaid, there is your purſe and your money in it: and then this Examinate fell downe upon his knees and ſaid, my Lord and God I thanke you. The ſaid Spirit at that time

time brought with him two other Spirits, for ſhape, bigneſſe, & colour, the one like a white Cat, the other like a grey Coney: and while this Examinate was upon his knees, the Beare Spirit ſpake to him, ſaying, you muſt worſhip theſe two Spirits as you worſhip me, and take them for your Gods alſo: then this Examinate directed his bodie towards them, and call'd them his Lords and Gods. Then the Beare Spirit told him that when he dyed he muſt have his ſoule, whereunto this Examinate yielded. Hee told him then alſo that they muſt ſuck of his body, to which this Examinate alſo yielded, but they did not ſucke at that time. The Beare Spirit promiſed him that he ſhould never want victualls. The Cat Spirit that it would hurt cattel when he would deſire it. And the Coney-like Spirit that it would hurt men when he deſired. The bear ſpirit told him that it muſt have ſome of his blood wherewith to ſeale the Covenant, whereunto this Examinate yeelded, and then the beare Spirit leapt upon his ſhoulder, and prickt him on the head, and from thence tooke blood: and after thus doing, the ſaid three ſpirits vaniſht away. The next day about noone, the ſaid Spirits came to him while hee was in the field, and told him they were come to ſuck of his body, to which he yielded, and they ſuckt his body at the places where the marks are found, and from that time to this, they have come conſtantly to him once every 24. hours, ſometimes by day, and moſt commonly by night. And being demanded what miſchiefe he cauſed any of the ſaid Spirits to do, he anſwered never any, onely hee ſent his beare Spirit to provoke the Maid-ſervant of Mr. *Say* of *Molmeſworth* to ſteale victualls for him out of her Maſters houſe, which ſhe did, and this Examinate received the ſame.

The marke of
John Winnicke.

ROB. BERNARD.

The

The examination of Francis Moore, *taken before Nicholas Pedley Esq; one of his Majesties Justices of Peace for this County, the ninth day of* April. 1646.

THis Examinate saith, that about eight yeares since she received a little blacke puppy from one *Margaret Simson* of great *Catworth*, which dog the said *Margaret* had in her bed with her, & took it thence when she gave it to the Examinate : The Examinate further saith, that the said *Margaret* told her, that she must keep that dogge all her life time ; and if she cursed any Cattell, & set the same dog upon them, they should presently dye, and the said *Margaret* told her that she had named it already, his name was *Pretty*.

And the said Examinate further saith, that about the same time one goodwife *Weed* gave her a white Cat, telling her, that if she would deny God, and affirme the same by her bloud, then whomsoever she cursed and sent that Cat unto, they should dye shortly after. Whereupon this said Examinate saith that shee did deny God, and in affirmation thereof shee pricked her finger with a thorne, whence issued bloud, which the Cat presently licked ; and the said goood-wife *Weed* named the Cat *Tissy*. And the said Examinate further saith, that one *William Foster*, about sixteen yeares since, would have hanged two of her children for offering to take a piece of bread ; and for that cause about fixe yeares since she cursed the said *William Foster* ; whereupon the white Cat went to him, and he immediately fell sick, and lying in great paine for the space of seven or eight dayes, and then dyed : but being demanded what the Cat did to him, or what shee bid it doe, she saith she remembers not. And shee further saith, that about five yeares since, shee keeping Cowes in the field, a Cow of *Edward Hulls* went into the graine, she cursed her, and set *Pretty* on her, and she swelled and dyed shortly after; and after that a Cow of one *Peter Brownes* went into the Corne, and shee likewise cursed her, and set *Pretty* on her, and she dyed within two

or three dayes after: and ſhe further ſaith, that ſhe killed the ſaid Dog and Cat about a yeare ſince; and yet after that the like Dog and Cat haunted her familiarly: and when ſhe was apprehended, they crept under her cloathes, and tortured her ſo that ſhe could not ſpeake, to confeſſe freely, and more ſhe ſaith not.

The Marke of

Frances Moore.

Ni. Pedley.

The Information of Peter Slater *of* Little Catworth *in the ſaid County, Shepheard, taken upon oath, before* Robert Bernard *Eſq; one of his Majeſties Juſtices of Peace for this County, upon the 7th day of April.* 1646.

THis Informant ſaith, That his wife dying about one and twenty yeares ſince in Child-bed, and one *Frances Moore* being ſuſpected for a Witch, & in cuſtody: He went to her upon Friday laſt, and asked her, if ſhe did his wife any harme? ſhe anſwered ſhe did, by curſing her. And he ſaith, his wife did of a ſudden change and dye, after ſhe had lain in a week; and that a little before this Informants wife was brought to bed, the ſaid *Frances Moore* falling out with her, ſaid, ſhe hoped ſhee ſhould never be untwin'd, as this Informant hath ſince called to minde.

Signum

Peter Slater.

ROB. BERNARD.

The

The Information of William Searle *of little* Catworth, *Yeoman, taken upon oath the ſaid day and yeare.*

THis Informant ſaith, he was preſent when *Frances Moore* did confeſſe her ſelfe to be a Witch, and that ſhee had done much harme; and amongſt other things, that ſhe ſent her Spirit *Pretty* to this Informants Capons, who did kill them: and hee ſaith, that ſhe comming to bake a loafe at his houſe about three or four yeares ſince, being denyed, the Capons did fall a fluttering, and would never eate after. Alſo ſaith, that about the ſaid time, ſhe having a Hogge in his yard, ſome of his ſervants ſet a Dog on the ſame; for which ſhe ſaid ſhe would bee revenged; and the next day one of his Hogs dyed.

Signum,

William *Searle.*

ROB. BERNARD.

The Examination of Elizabeth Chandler *of Keiſton, Widow, taken the ſeventh day of* Aprill, 1646. *before* Robert Bernard *and* Nicholas Pedley *Eſquires, two of his Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace for this County.*

SHee ſaith that ſomething hath come to her five times within this little ſpace, and that there was about a weekes ſpace between their comming to her; and that the laſt time was upon Saterday ſeven-night laſt in a puffing and roaring manner. And

ſhe ſaith that ſhe found her body ſore about the bottome of her belly after he was gone from her. She ſaith ſhe did never willingly invoke or imploy the ſame, but hath prayed to God to deliver her therfrom. Being demanded whether ſhe did heretofore ſtrike a childe of Goodwife *Darnells* of *Keiſton*, named *Katherine*, or ſend any Spirit to harm it, ſhe denyeth the ſame: being asked whether ſhe did heretofore uſe any means to ſpoile the Furmity of the ſaid Goodwife *Darnell* or any other, ſhe anſwered no; ſhe confeſſeth that about two years ſince, having received ſome hard uſage from the ſaid Goodwife *Darnell*, by cauſing her to be duckt, ſhee did heartily deſire to be revenged of her. And about halfe a yeare after, and ever ſince, ſhe hath been troubled with the ſaid roaring things. Being damanded whether ſhe had not two Imps reſorted to her, and that ſhe named the ſame, calling the one *Beelzebub*, & the other *Trullibub*: She denyeth the ſame, only ſaith ſhe did call a logg of wood *Beelzebub*, and a ſticke *Trullibub*.

Signum,
Elizabeth Chandler.

OB. BERNARD.

The Information of Mary Darnell *the Wife of* William Darnell *of Keiſton, Blacke-ſmith, taken upon oath the ſaid ſeventh day of* April, *fore the ſaid Juſtices.*

SHe ſaith that about a year ſince, ſhe had a daughter named *Katherine*, which was then about the age of nine yeares, which childe was eating Furmity with another childe brought up by *Elizabeth Chandler* at the houſe of one *William Browning* in Keiſton aforeſaid: at which time the ſaid two children fell out as ſhe heard. And this Informants child did expres when ſhe came home that Goodwife *Chandler* had given it a boxe of the Eare, & complayned of that eare ſo long as it lived, which was untill that day

day 3 weeks: and during the time that it did lye ill, it did ſqueal and ſhreek out very often, that Goodwife *Chandler* did come to her and would kill her. And ſhe ſaith, that about a yeare ſince ſhe made ſome Furmity, and bid ſome Neighbours to the houſe: but when the ſame was taking up, it did continue boyling for an houre after it was taken from the fire, and ſhe could not keepe it from running over, although ſhe put it into great bowles, tubs, and other large veſſells. And ſhe hath heard *Lewis Carmell* ſay that ſhe confeſſed ſhe did cauſe it to be ſpoiled by Beelzebub, becauſe ſhe was not bid to it, nor had any part thereof.

Signum,
Mary *Darnell.*

ROB. BERNARD.

The examination of Ellen *the Wife of* William Shepheard *of* Moleſworth *in the ſaid County, Labourer, taken the* 8th *day of* Aprill, 1646. *before* Robert Bernard *and* Nicholas Pedley, *Eſquires, two of His Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County.*

SHee ſaith, that about five yeares ſince, when ſhee was in her homſted at Moleſworth, ſwearing and curſing about the diſcords of her children, there appeared unto her a Spirit, ſomewhat like a Rat, but not fully ſo big, of an iron-grey colour, and ſaid you muſt goe with me, and ſhe ſaid, I will not, avoid Satan, and thereupon he went away. Shee ſaith, that within a ſhort time after, going into the field, curſing, and fretting, and blaſpheming, there appeared three Spirits more with the former in the faſhion of Rats, of an iron-grey, and ſaid, you muſt forſake God and Chriſt, and goe with me, and take thoſe ſpirits for your Gods, and you ſhall have all happineſſe, whereunto ſhe conſented: And moreover they ſaid unto her, that when ſhe dyed, they muſt have her body and ſoule, and ſaid, they muſt have blood from her, which

which ſhe granted, and thereupon they ſucked her upon and about her hippes, and they have uſed very often to come to her ſince. Being demanded whether ever ſhe imployed them to hurt any reaſonable creature or beaſt, ſhe ſaith ſhe did not: And ſhee ſaith that ſome of them did torment her this afternoon, ſince ſhe was brought to Huntington to be examined. Being demanded whether ſhe enjoyed any happineſſe (as they promiſed) ſince they frequented her, ſhe ſaith ſhe did not, but doth intend to leave her former courſe of curſing and ſwearing.

Signum,
Ellen *Shepheard.*

ROB. BERNARD, NIC. PEDLY.

The information of Thomas Becke *of Bythorn* in Com. Hunt. *Yeoman, againſt* Anne Desborough, *taken upon oath before* Nicholas Pedley *Eſquire, one of his Majeſties Juſtices of Peace for the ſaid County, the* 9th *day of* April, 1646.

THis Informant ſaith, that *Anne Deſborough* Widow of Bythorn aforeſaid, being apprehended upon ſuſpition of being a witch, on the 8th day of this preſent April, he in the preſence of Maſter *Coyſh* and others, heard the ſaid *Anne Deſborough* (in anſwer to queſtions asked her) freely confeſſe, that about 30. yeares ſince, there appeared unto her a thing ſomewhat bigger then a mouſe, of a browne colour, when ſhe lived at Titſmarſh in the County of Northampton, ſhe being in bed and aſleep, which nipped her on the breaſt and awakened her, then it told her that it muſt have part of her ſoule: ſhe prayed thsn to God, and it left her at that time, and the ſaid Informant heard the ſaid *Anne* further ſay, that about five or ſixe dayes after, the ſame mouſe appeared againe to her with another much like the former, it being a little leſſe then the former, and had a white bellie: then the mouſe that came firſt

ſaid

ſaid, we muſt abide with you, and ſucke your bloud, ſhe ſaid that they ſhould. About three dayes after both the mice came to her againe, and told her that ſhe muſt forſake God and Chriſt : and when ſhe dyed, they muſt have her ſoule, to all which ſhe yielded: this Informant ſaith further, that he heard the ſaid *Anne* confeſſe that ſhe named one of the mice *Tib*, which promiſed her to hurt men, and ſhe named the other *Jone*, which promiſed her to hurt Cattell when ſhe wiſhed it: and after the third time they kept not away from her above 24. houres together, but did frequent her, and familiarly ſuck on her bodie, untill ſhe was apprehended.

Thomas Becke.

NIC: PEDLEY.

April *the* 8. *day, Anno* 1646.

ANne Deſborough of Bythorn in the County of Huntington, confeſſeth, that about 30. yeares ſince, the firſt weeke of Cleane Lent, there appeared unto her a thing ſome-what bigger then a Mouſe, of a brown colour, and of the likeneſſe of a mouſe. This was while ſhee lived at Tichmarſh in the County of Northampton: ſhe being there in bed, and in a dreame, the ſaid likeneſſe then gave her a nip, and thereby awakened her out of her dreame, and then told her (when ſhe was awakened) that it muſt have part of her ſoule; whereupon ſhe was in a great feare, and gave him no anſwer, but prayed to God, and thereupon it vaniſhed away from her. About five dayes after, the ſame Mouſe appeared to her againe, bringing with it another Mouſe, about the bigneſſe of an ordinary Mouſe, or very little bigger, browne like the former, ſave only that this latter had ſome white about the belly, whereas the former was all browne. Then the Mouſe that firſt appeared, ſaid, we muſt ſucke of your body. Shee yielded to them, and ſaid, they ſhould: upon her yielding they went to her, and ſucked of her bodie, where the markes are found. The

bigger

bigger mouſe ſhe called *Tib*, and the leſſer *Jone*. *Tib* told her that ſhe muſt forſake God and Chriſt, and take them for her Gods: telling her that when ſhe dyed, they muſt have her ſoule, to all which ſhe yielded. *Tib* promiſed her to hurt men if ſhee ſhould deſire. *Jone* promiſed her to hurt Cattell if ſhee should deſire. Within two dayes after they appeared again: and ever after till ſhee was diſcovered, they appeared once every 24. houres.

This the ſaid *Deſbourough* confeſſed on the firſt ſaid day in the preſence of me

Joſeph Coysh *Miniſter of the Word.*

The Examination of Jane Wallis *of* Keiſton *in the County of Huntington Spinſter taken the* 16th *day of* Aprill, 1646. *before Sir* Robert Osborn *Knight, one of his Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace for the County of* Huntington.

THis Examinate ſaith, as ſhe was making of her bedde in her Chamber, there appeared in the ſhape of a man in blacke cloaths and blackish cloaths about ſixe weeks paſt, and bid her good-morrow, and shee asked what his name was, and he ſaid his name was *Blackeman*, and asked her if she were poore, and she ſaid I; then he told her he would ſend one *Griſſell* and *Greedigut* to her, that ſhall do any thing for her: Shee looking upon him, ſaw hee had ugly feete, and then she was very fearfull of him for that he would ſeem ſometimes to be tall, and ſometimes leſſe, and ſuddenly vanished away.

And being demanded whether he lay with her, shee ſaid hee would have lain with her, but shee would not ſuffer him: and after *Blackeman* was departed from her, within three or 4. dayes, *Griſſell* and *Greedigut* came to her, in the ſhapes of dogges with great briſles of hogges haire upon their backs, and ſaid to her they were come from *Blackeman* to do what she would command them, and did aske her if shee did want any thing, and they would

would fetch her any thing: and shee said shee lacked nothing: then they prayed her to give them some victuals, and she said she was poore and had none to give them, and so they departed: Yet she confessed that *Blackman*, *Grissell*, and *Greedigut* divers times cames to her afterwards, and brought her two or three shillings at a time, and more saith not.

Signum
Jane *Willis.*

April 14. 1646.

IOANE WALLIS confessed to me, and *John Guyle* that shee had three Spirits, she called them *Black-man*, *Grissel*, and *Greedigut*, and that *Blackman* gave her the other two, and told her they should doe any thing for her that she should desire; she said *Blackman* came first to her, about a twelve-moneth since, like a man something ancient, in blackish cloathes, but he had ugly feet uncovered. Sometimes she said it was longer since he first came to her, and ever since he appeared in the like shape, but *Grissell*, and *Greedigut* did come in severall shapes, yet most commonly like hounds with Brissells on their backes. I asked her what use she put them to, and if any of them had the use of her body besides sucking; she said he would have had once, but shee denyed him: then presently of her selfe shee said, if I would not tell, shee would confesse, but she hoped I would love her never the worse, and then shee said that *Blackman* had the use of her body once, twice, and sometimes thrice in a week; but the other two onely sucked her where her marks are found; she said *Blackman* never sucked her; she would not confesse that she ever sent them to doe any harme, but said the filthy rough *Blackman* would send them; but what hurt they did she confessed not to us. I asked her to what purpose she let *Gris.* and *Greed.* suck her if she made no use of them? she said, they would sometimes bring her money, two or three shillings at a time, and that was all they did

for her; and once they told her they robb'd a man, and pulled him from his horſe, and brought her ſome money.

All this she confeſſed to me before Dinner, and after Dinner she affirmed it all to be truth, but in the repeating she would ſeem to forget *Griſ.* and *Greed.* names, but alwayes affirmed the ſame of *Blackman*; She ſaid, she firſt would have had them ſucked her breaſts, but they would not, and choſe the place themſelves.

Edw. Ma. Wingfeild.

John Guylatte.

The Examination of John Clarke Junior, *of Keiſton, in the County of* Hunt. *Labourer, taken before me* John Caſtell, *Eſquire, one of his Majeſties Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County, the* 2d. *day of* May. 1646.

WHo ſaith, That true it is that hee did overtake one man and three women upon the Sabbath day laſt was ſevennight, between *Stanwick* and *Raunce*, being about three miles from *Keiſtone*, whither this Examinate was going. But this Examinate denyeth that he ever told or ſaid that he had any marks cut off, or that he had any place of meeting with any Witches, or that he had any conſultation, or made any Compact with the Devill, or ever knew what belonged to any ſuch matter. And further ſaith not.

JOHN CASTELL.

The Information of John Browne *of* Raunce *in the County of* Northampton, *Tailor, taken upon oath the ſecond day of May,* 1646. *before me* John Caſtell, *Eſq; one of his Majeſties Juſtices the Peace for the County of* Hunt.

WHo ſaith, That upon the Sabbath day laſt was ſevennight, he (this Informant) comming from *Higham-Ferris* to *Raunce* in the County of *Northampton* aforeſaid, where he quartereth,

quartereth, and ſitting downe by *Stanwick* Townes end, ſaw one comming from *Artlebroward*; who when hee came neare to this Informant, this Informant ſaid, I have ſtaid for you a long time; but he anſwered, I ſaw you not all the way I came. Then this Informant ſaid to him, from whence came you? who anſwered, that hee came from his Uncles at *Artlebrow*: Then this Informant asked him who was his Uncle? and hee ſaid one *Clarke*: this Informant asked him, if hee were not *Clarks* ſonne of *Keiſton*, he anſwered, he was: And then this Informant asked him, What haſte he was in? who ſaid he was in haſte; for his Father and Mother were accuſed for Witches, and that hee himſelfe had beene ſearched; and this Informant anſwered, and ſo have I. Then *Clarke* asked this Informant, whether any thing were found about him, or not? he (this Informant) anſwered, that they ſaid there were marks: *Clarke* ſaid againe, had you no more wit but to have your marks found? I cut off mine three dayes before I was ſearched. And then after ſome further communication paſt concerning who ſearched them, *Clark* ſaid to this Informant, I doe not beleeve you are a Witch, for I never ſaw you at our meetings: who anſwered, that perhaps their meetings were at ſeverall places, and ſo fell out and parted.

JOHN CASTELL.

VVHo deſires to be reſolved in caſes of Conſcience touching Witches and Witch-crafts, let them read that learned diſcourſe of Mr. JOHN GAULES, *lately ſet forth, and Printed for* Richard Clutterbuck STATIONER.

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